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14, Broadly,
Bradford.

24th May, 1924.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Mr. Gordon and I are coming up on Tuesday afternoon. We shall stay the night at Low Wood Hotel. We are arranging for Mr. Forster of Messrs. Peat & Co. to meet us at 11.15 on Wednesday morning at Scale How. If convenient to you we shall come along about 10 o'clock.

Yours sincerely,

H. M. Queen

Miss Kitching,
Scale How,
Ambleside,
Westmorland.

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TELEGRAMS "LES BERNARDS"

TELEPHONE NUMBER 1073

14, Piccadilly.
Bradford

26th May, 1924.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Mr. Gordon and I are arriving at Windermere at 2.20 tomorrow, Tuesday, and will come straight up to Ambleside by the motor bus. This will enable Mr. Lewis to meet us tomorrow. I accordingly sent you a wire this morning saying we will call about 3.30 tomorrow. We can then see Messrs. Peat's representative next morning.

Yours sincerely,

N. McQueen.

Miss Kitching,
Scale How,
Ambleside,
Westmorland.

Since writing above I have you wire saying you have arranged for the meeting to be on Wednesday. Under these circumstances if we back over & call on Tuesday afternoon it will be on chance only to report-arrival, so please do not expect us ^{on Tuesday} unless you see us.
N. McQ.

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TELEGRAMS: "K.H. DUNCAN"
TELEPHONE: NO. 1424-1425

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14, Piccadilly,
Bradford.

6th June, 1924.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Would you be so good as
to loan me the Memorandum in Miss Mason's
handwriting, which I understood you to say you
found amongst her papers stating that she had no
next of kin. I think this might be useful as
additional evidence to put before the Court.

Yours sincerely,

H. McQueen.

Miss Kitching,

The House of Education,

AMBLESIDE.

12th June 1924

Dear Miss Kitching

I meant to speak to you before I left about the memorandum. I did not read more than the one sentence because I thought it might be of a private nature. That one sentence is however important & I felt it ought to be disclosed. I said nothing to Mr. M^cQueen about it but am not surprised at his enquiry. Would you have any objection to let me read the whole? I could then judge whether it would be possible to quote the sentence without disclosing more of the contents. I shall be seeing Mr. M^cQueen on Monday. If you don't care to show me the whole, would you send me an extract of the relevant part & give me a general idea of the nature of the remaining contents? Some of the words are interlined. I should like the extract to show this.

Yours sincerely
W. V. Gordon

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18th June 1924

Dear Miss Kitching

I received the extract
of yesterday the original. The latter
speaks of 'a cousin of my Mother's' of
his family. There apparently
therefore are some relations somewhere.

The cousin 'had a practice in the
place' (evidently the Isle of Man). One
would expect this to mean a medical
practice. I suppose you know
of no one who would be likely to
know where information could
be got about him? There was a
'tall girl in a white frock named
'Lucy & her schoolboy brothers.' Do
you know what Miss Mason's Mother's
maiden name was?

I shall see Mr. M. Queen on
Friday & after that shall return
the memorandum

Yours sincerely
Wm. B. Gordon

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27th June 1924
Dear Miss Kitching

Cornwall advises
that the original memo^{um}
should be exhibited
to the Court. Could you
send it to my M^{rs} Queen
by to-morrow's post?
It will be taken care
of, and there will be
no publicity.

Yours sincerely
W. B. Gordon

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TELEGRAMS: L.C. 9547/042
TELEPHONE: N° 574, 575

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14, Piccadilly,
Bradford

30th June, 1924.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Many thanks for your
letter of the 28th with enclosures. We will
do our best to treat the Book in the most
confidential manner possible.

Yours sincerely,

H. McQueen

Miss Kitching,

The Parents' Union School,
AMBLESIDE.

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TELEGRAMS: 104 BRADFORD
TELEPHONE: NW 1874-1875

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14, Piccadilly,
Bradford

3rd July, 1926.

Dear Miss Mitching,

Thanks for your letter of yesterday's date. I have seen the decision in the Brighton College case as reported in the Times, and I certainly think it should assist.

I enclose you herewith inscribed Certificate for £1,500 23rd War Stock, 1923/47 which is probably what Mr. Hall wishes to see. Kindly regard this to me when he has finished with it.

Yours sincerely,

A. McQueen.

Miss Mitching,
Parents' Union School,
Amble-side,
Westmorland.

Encloses: 1.

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5.7.1924*

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TELEGRAMS AND REACTIONS

TELEPHONE NO. 1834-1075

24. Piccadilly.
Bradford.

Dear Miss Kitching,

Yours sincerely,

J. McQueen

Miss Kitching,
The House of Education,
Ambleside,
Westmorland.

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and

25th July 1924

Dear Miss Kitching

You would be glad to receive
M^{rs} McQueen's telegram on Wednesday.
Although the issue was never really
in doubt, the processes of the law must
have caused some worry & anxiety
to Miss Parish & yourself which I
am bound to say I personally shared.
Perhaps my anxiety was the greater
because I realised more fully the point
of view of the lawyers. None of the
legal men concerned - from Judge to
Solicitor - could say that the law on
"Charities" is so settled that the efficacy
of the will could be said to be beyond
controversy. They were therefore bound
to insist on a full investigation from
the point of view of heirs & next of kin
who would be entitled if there was
a flaw anywhere. The combined
efforts of all however - the Counsel
for the Trustees, the Counsel for the
Attorney General, the Counsel for the
possible next of kin & the Judge himself
- could not suggest a flaw, and
in the result the will stands. The
process has been a tedious one & I am sorry

to say it will prove an expensive one, but the effect is worth it for it establishes the will on a firm foundation as nothing else could have done with the same degree of authority.

I came up here on a visit ten days ago & ran up to London for the hearing. I return home on Monday.

There will still be some details to go through to straighten up matters but these need not worry you. At any rate you are out of "Chancery" - if you were ever in it!

I am afraid that Brighton College case will not help us on the Income Tax question, but I'll discuss this with Mr. McQueen in a few days.

With kindest greetings
to Miss Parry

Yours sincerely
W. B. Gordon